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April 12, 2018

Mark Roberts QC Development P.O. Box 916 Storrs, CT 06268

RE:

EM-CING-148-180403 - New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) notice of intent to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at 1000 Northrop Road, Wallingford, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) received a notice of intent to modify the above-referenced facility on April 3, 2018.

According to Section 16-50j-71 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, "...any modification, as defined in Section 16-50j-2a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, to an existing tower site, except as specified in Sections 16-50j-72 and 16-50j-88 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, may have a substantial adverse environmental effect."

Staff has reviewed this exempt modification request for completeness and has identified a deficiency in the filing. The construction drawing Sheet A-2 prepared by Hudson Design Group LLC, last revised on March 8, 2018, includes a note stating "an analysis for the capacity of the existing mount to support the proposed equipment shall be determined prior to construction." No mount analysis is included with the request for exempt modification; therefore, it is unclear whether additional reinforcements would be required for the antenna mount, which would alter the proposed loading on the structure and require an updated structural analysis report.

Additionally, the second page of the request for exempt modification states that filing was copied to Crown Castle as the tower owner; however, the first page of the request for exempt modification states that the tower owner is American Tower.

Therefore, the exempt modification request is incomplete at this time. The Council recommends that QC Development provide a mount analysis for the proposed equipment that is stamped and signed by a professional engineer duly licensed in the State of Connecticut and, if applicable, an updated Structural Analysis Report accounting for any required antenna mount modifications; and a copy of the filing be provided to the correct tower owner on or before May 3, 2018. If additional time is needed to gather the requested information, please submit a written request for an extension of time prior to May 3, 2018.

This notice of incompletion shall have the effect of tolling the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) 60-day timeframe in accordance with Paragraph 217 of the FCC Wireless Infrastructure Report and Order issued on October 21, 2014 (FCC 14-153).

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 860-827-2951.

Sincerely.

Melanie Bachman Executive Director

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c: The Honorable William Dickinson, Jr., Mayor, Town of Wallingford Kacie Hand, Town Planner, Town of Wallingford American Tower, tower owner